

Remarks

Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 12 and 46-48 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication 2003/0005144 A1 to Engel et al., and claims 5 and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over the '144 application and U.S. Patent No. 6,643,292 to Chapman et al. The Office Action indicates that claims 3, 4 and 9 are directed to allowable subject matter.

With this paper, claims 3 and 9 have been canceled and their limitations added to independent claims 1 and 7, respectively. Dependent claims 5, 6 and 10 have also been canceled. Accordingly, it is submitted that remaining claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 12, and 46-48 are allowable over the prior art.

In view of the above remarks, applicants submit that claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 12 and 46-48 define patentably over the prior art. Early notification of allowable subject matter is respectfully requested.

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